

4A12 (l) means for detecting [[1817]] by the first disclosee that the second data item concerns an offer that satisfies the second condition [by the first disclosee].

REMARKS

The changes to the specification do not constitute new matter because their primary purposes are to correct typographical and grammatical errors and to conform the specification to the figures.

In addition, with respect to the amendment to page 18 line 9, see also:

- US provisional application 60/056,815 at page 42 (heading of page is gsxby-11.doc 1997.08.20 14:48 Copy 3, footer of page ends with Page 35) at Section 8.1 at clause 2 which discloses that publication of information about open orders is dependent upon Clearing Approval Required equaling “No” and Company Approval Required equaling “No”; and
- US provisional application 60/056,815 at page 232 (heading of page is tx-07.doc 1997.08.20 11:32 Copy 2, footer of page ends with Page 62), at “Actions” which shows that, depending upon the role of the submitter of an approval transaction, an approval transaction will set either Clearing Approval Required or Company Approval Required to “No”, which will thus permit information about an order to be published after required approvals have been received.

The changes to the claims do not constitute new matter because their primary purposes are to eliminate unnecessary reference numbers and to correct typographical and grammatical errors.

In addition, see page 19 lines 6-12 of the Application as filed, which provides additional basis for the amended language in Claim 16 step (h); Claim 26, step (j); Claim 37, step (g); Claim 65, step (g); Claim 101, step (i); and Claim 109, step (j).

Respectfully submitted,

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